



BY THE
Lord Lieutenant
AND
Council of Ireland.

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WHEREAS his Majesty by his Gracious Letters, bearing Date the two and twentieth day of September last to us the Lord Lieutenant directed, taking notice, that the late Commissioners for executing the Acts of settlement & explanation, did not by virtue of their Commission proceed to the adjudication of any the Claims of the transplanted persons in the Province of Connaught, or County of Clare, or to the settlement of any their estates or interests, except only the interests of such Protestants, who before the first day of September 1663, purchased Lands in Connaught or Clare from the said transplanted persons, so that the estates of the said transplanted persons which continued in their own hands, and were not within that time purchased by Protestants, remain subject to much doubt & uncertainty, whereby the Improvements of the said lands are very much hindered, and such of the said transplanted persons, as have been dispossessed of the lands set out unto them, have not yet been reprieved for the same, according to his Majesty's Declaration of the thirtieth of November in the year (1660) for the settlement of this Kingdom of Ireland, which hath been since Confirmed by Act of Parliament in this Kingdome; For Remedy whereof his Majesty hath been Graciously pleased by his said Letters, to authorize us the Lord Lieutenant of this Kingdom, to Cause a Commission to be issued under the great Seal of this Kingdome, directed to such Commissioners, as we the Lord Lieutenant with the advice of the privie Council in this Kingdom, should think fit to nominate and appoint, authorizing them or any three of them, to be his Majesty's Commissioners, to hear and determine the claimes of all transplanted persons in the said Province of Connaught and County of Clare, touching the decrees they had, or the Lands set out to them in Lieu of their former Estates, Except onely such Lands as have been already disposed of, by his Majesty's late Commissioners for executing the Acts of settlement and explanation, and to state the Quit-rents due to his Majesty out of the said Lands, and to examine what Irregularities have been in the setting out and disposal of the said Lands, and to confirm the just part thereof, and to enquire of all Lands forfeited to his Majesty by the said Acts in the said Province and County, and to dispose of all or any such forfeited Lands, as are or shall be found to be in his Majesty's disposall, towards the satisfaction and Repriall of such transplanted Interests, as remaine yet unsatisfied or deficient, and to grant Certificates thereof, in order to the passing Letters Patents

therupon, in such manner, as certificats were granted by the late Commissioners for Executing the said Acts of settlement & Explanation, to any persons whose Claims were adjudged before them, and to observe such Instructions, as we the Lord Lieutenant and Council, shall think fit to give unto them, from time to time, for the better Execution of the said Commission, & his Majesty by his said Letters hath also authorized us the Lord Lieutenant, without any further warrant, to pass letters Patents under the great Seal of this Kingdom, upon the said certificates, to the persons therein Concerned, according to such Estates, as shall be thereby adjudged to belong to them, in such manner and as fully to all intents and purposes, as Letters Patents have been usually passed upon Certificates of his Majesties late Commissioners for executing the said Acts of settlement & Explanation, and his Majesties hath also thereby further declared, that the said Commissioners, and all Officers and Ministers to be Employed by them, shall and may receive such fees and allowances to be paid by the Parties whose Claims shall be heard before them, as we the Lord Lieutenant and Council shall think fit to appoint, so as the same do not exceed one moiety of the several fees allowed to his Majesties late Commissioners, for putting in Execution the said Acts of settlement, and Explanation, and their Officers and Ministers. And we the Lord Lieutenant and Council in pursuance of his Majesties said Letters, having nominated and appointed Sir Robert Booth Knight, Lord Chief Justice of his Majesties Court of Common Pleas, Sir Charles Meredith Knight, Chancellor of his Majesties Court of Exchequer, Thomas Ratcliff Esq; Henry Henn Esq; one of the Barons of his Majesties Court of Exchequer, and Sir Richard Reynell Knight, one of the Justices of his Majesties Court of Chief place, to be his Majesties Commissioners, for hearing and determining the Claims of all Transplanted persons in the said Province of Connaught and County of Clare, and to execute all other the matters contained in his Majesties said Letters, and a Commission being since past unto them under the great Seal of this Kingdom to that purpose. We have thought fit to give this publique notice thereof to all persons concerned in any of the said Transplanted Lands, and that the said Commissioners will begin to sit publique upon the Execution of the said Commission, on the one and twentieth day of August next, at the place where the late Court of Claims sate in the Kings Inns, Dublin. And we do hereby require all persons concerned in any of the said Lands, that by themselves or their Agents, they do put in their Claims before the said Commissioners at the Office of their Register in the Kings Inns, Dublin, before the said one and twentieth day of August next. And that they do with all convenient speed apply themselves to the said Commissioners for the hearing and determining of their said Claims, and prosecute the same with effect in such manner and at such time, as by his Majesties said Commissioners shall be directed, whereof publique notice will be given by the said Commissioners, as soon as they shall have agreed upon the order and method of their proceedings.

Given at the Council Chamber in Dublin the 26th day of June, one thousand six hundred seventy six.

Ja: Armachanus. Art: Granard. Hen: Midenfis. R: Coote.
 Heugh: Glenaully. Rob: Fitz-Gerald. J: Povey. Jo: Byffe.
 J: Temple. Wm: Gore. Ol: St. George. Hans: Hamilton.
 Wm: Flower. Ran: Clayton.

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